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SUBJECT: Compromising Documents

TO: Chief of Station

FROM: C

1. In accordance with previous correspondence, we are herewith giving you a list of documents and stamps which must be considered compromised because of the probable arrest of Waldmann, the former partner of []. It should be pointed out, however, that Waldmann had only been a partner to [] until December 1946 so that he would not be in any position to compromise any documents printed after that date. Our complete lack of knowledge as to the possible ties between [] and the Russians, however, does not make it advisable to use any of the documents enumerated in this letter.

2. In some cases, however, both documents and stamps are either common enough to be able to pass inspection or are such routine stamps as would under no circumstances compromise a document. In any case, we will mention it after the name of the document or the stamp and will furthermore give reasons for our estimation.

DOCUMENTS

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| 1. Ausweis der Deutschen Volksliste | Document used for operations into Poland. Document is obsolete. |
| 2. Führerschein | Document can be obtained now through regular MG channels |
| 3. (Russian) Certificate | No remarks |
| 4. Arbeitsbuch - Ersatzkarte | Document can be obtained thru regular MG liaison channels |
| 5. Fahrausweis für Gastfahrten | Due to facility in obtaining transportation in recent months, this document can be considered obsolete |

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| 6. Deutsche Reichsbahn
Dienstausweis | Same as 5 |
| 7. Behelfsmässiger
Personalausweis | This document can now be
obtained through regular
MO liaison channels |
| 8. Zulassungs-Genehmigung | Document obsolete |
| 9. Ausweis - Deutsche
Zentralverwaltung | No remarks |
| 10. Fahrbrief | Document is obsolete |
| 11. Steuerkarte | Obsolete |
| 12. Dauerreisegenehmigung | Bad reproduction job; was
reproduced in large quantities
for black market consumption
by different German underground
gangs |
| 13. Berechtigungsschein | No remarks |
| 14. Zulassungs-Genehmigung | Obsolete |
| 15. Arbeitskarte | No remarks |
| 16. Sozialistische Einheits-
partei Deutschlands | No remarks |
| 17. Ausweis für Schwer-
arbeitsbehinderte | No remarks |
| 18. Brandenburg Personal-
ausweis | No remarks |
| 19. Vorläufiger Ausweis | Document printed for Polish
operations. Obsolete |
| 20. SED Stationery | No remarks |
| 21. Province of Saxony
Der Bevollmächtigte | No remarks |
| 22. SED letterhead (Pankow) | No remarks |

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| 23. SED Charlottenburg
letterhead | No remarks |
| 24. Potsdam Magistrat
letterhead | No remarks |
| 25. Neuruppin Magistrat
letterhead | No remarks |
| 26. German Engineering and
Construction Survey
U. S. Army | This is an outfit which only
consisted in letterheads; was
only used in single investigation
jobs which were performed in
the American Sector of Berlin
in order to get leads. Letter-
head has not been used since. |
| 27. Provinzialverwaltung
Mark Brandenburg | No. remarks |
| 28. Fahrbefehl | No remarks |
| 29. Antrag auf Kraftfahr-
versicherung | No remarks |

3. We want to draw your attention to the fact that there is a large black market in Berlin in illegal documents. These are filled for various reasons both by black marketers and by printers who want to render service to political persecutees in the Russian Zone. The main purpose for which these papers are printed are:

- (a) Assumption of new identity by persons being politically persecuted or wanting to hide their identity because of former Nazi Party affiliations;
- (b) Labor cards with fake labor entries either to prevent labor draft or in order to obtain a better class ration card;
- (c) Railroad passes to facilitate traveling in the Zone and to enable the bearer of same to obtain a seat in an official train;
- (d) The certain subsidiary documents and stamps for (a), (b) and (c) above which have been on the black market also to substantiate some of the stories used by persons. Such documents include high school graduation

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certificates (1,000 RM); certificate that a person has been accorded the title of doctor by one of the accredited universities (9,000 RM); documentary evidence that a person has a Jewish grandmother (1,000 RM); card proving that person is an acknowledged victim of Fascism (5,000 RM), etc.

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DIST:
2-FBM
1-COS
1-CAD Berlin
1-Chreno, FR
1-Registry

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TO: FBM

FROM: []

Approved and forwarded.

P.S. Information on stamps will be contained in a separate letter.

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